

Most War Critics in Congress Shun Protest,

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From House Visit Ellipse
—Impact Is in Doubt

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WASHINGTON, May 9—Most of the war critics in Congress stood detached today from the peace demonstration near the White House. They were looking to the protest to build up public support for their cause but fearful that it might have the opposite effect.

Only a handful of Senators and Representatives went down from Capitol Hill to participate in the demonstration on the Ellipse, 15 blocks away. Nine from the House and three from the Senate were seen at the demonstration.

Senators Jacob K. Javits and Charles E. Goodell of New York and Edward W. Brooke of Massachusetts, all Republicans, mingled with the crowd, talking with the demonstrators. They said that they thought it important to show their support and thus, perhaps, help keep the demonstration from turning violent.

Nine members of the House went a step further. They appeared on the speaker's platform. They were Representatives Allard K. Lowenstein, Democrat of Nassau; James H. Scheuer, Democrat of the Bronx; Ogden R. Reid, Republican of Westchester; William F. Ryan, Democrat of Manhattan; Edward I. Koch, Democrat of Manhattan; Richard L. Ottinger, Democrat of Westchester; Philip Burton, Democrat of California; John Conyers Jr., Democrat of Michigan, and Benjamin S. Rosenthal, Democrat of Queens.

But the impact of the demonstration on Capital Hill was problematical.

Probably more effective than all the speeches and applause on the Ellipse was the personal lobbying the protesting youths had done on Capitol Hill. An example was the way a group

of college students enlisted Senator Edmund S. Muskie, Democrat of Maine, as a co-sponsor of an amendment to cut off funds next year for the Vietnam war.

The students asked the Senator last night whether he supported an amendment by Senator George S. McGovern, Democrat of South Dakota, and Senator Mark O. Hatfield, Republican of Oregon, that would require the withdrawal of all American troops from Vietnam by June 30, 1971. Mr. Muskie said he supported the amendment, and the students asked if that meant he was willing to be a co-sponsor. "I guess so," he replied, becoming the 19th co-sponsor.

Today, Senator McGovern said he planned to bring "the amendment to end the war"—as its sponsors have now named it—to a vote in the Senate, perhaps in another week.

In an attempt to build up public support in advance of the Senate vote, Senator McGovern arranged for a half-hour television appearance Tuesday night on the National Broadcasting Company to present the case for the amendment along with four other Senators. Those appearing on the program with Senator McGovern will be Senators Hatfield; Harold E. Hughes, Democrat of Iowa; Frank Church, Democrat of Idaho, and Senator Goodell of New York.

Wary of the Effects of Any Violence